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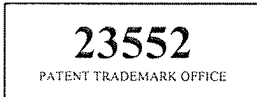
The above preliminary amendment is made to cancel claims 39, 48, 50, 56, 59 and 65 without prejudice or disclaimer. No new matter is added. The preliminary amendment is made to comply with 37 CFR 1.75(b), and is not made to overcome an art based rejection.

Applicants respectfully request that the preliminary amendment described herein be entered into the record prior to examination and consideration of the above-identified application.

If a telephone conference would be helpful in resolving any issues concerning this communication, please contact Applicants' primary attorney-of record, Brian H. Batzli (Reg. No. 32,960), at (612) 336.4755.

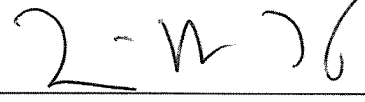
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